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In re Application of: Blinkovsky et al.

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For: Polypeptides Having Dipeptidyl Aminopeptidase Activity And Nucleic Acids Encoding Same

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.808**

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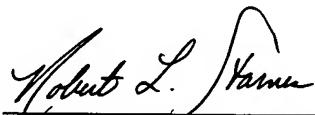
Sir:

The above-captioned application refers to a deposit of biological material which has been made at the Agricultural Research Service Patent Culture Collection, Northern Regional Research Center (NRRL) under the Budapest Treaty and assigned accession number **B-21682**.

All restrictions on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed upon the granting of the U.S. patent.

The deposit will be maintained for (a) thirty years, (b) at least five years after the most recent request for the furnishing of a sample of the deposit is received by the depository, or (c) the enforceable life of the U.S. patent granted from this application, whichever is longest. If the deposited material becomes inviable during the above term, the deposited material will be replaced.

Respectfully submitted,



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